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February 7, 2014

Jesse Patchett Peterson Brustad, Inc. 1180 Iron Point Road, Suite 260 Folsom, CA 95630

Re: Lower San Joaquin and Delta South Regional Flood Management Plan

Dear Jesse Patchett:

Staff of the Delta Protection Commission (Commission) have reviewed the Lower San Joaquin and Delta South Regional Flood Management Plan (Flood Management Plan) – Draft Document for Public Review/Comment (January 2014). As a portion of the planning area lies within the Primary Zone of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, it is subject to consistency requirements with the Commission's Land Use and Resource Management Plan for the Primary Zone of the Delta (LURMP).

Starting on page 47, the document lists numerous State agencies with flood management missions, but does not identify the Commission. The Commission requests incorporation into this section as the *LURMP* contains goals and policies centered around flood protection and levee improvement to support the Commission's mission, as follows:

To adaptively protect, maintain, and where possible, enhance and restore the overall quality of the Delta environment consistent with the Delta Protection Act, and the Land Use and Resource Management Plan for the Primary Zone. This includes, but is not limited to, agriculture, wildlife habitat, and recreational activities.

The Commission's relevant goals and policies can be found in the Levees element of the *LURMP*, which support various efforts, programs, funding options, and design standards for Delta levee improvements as a means to increase flood protection for Delta

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agriculture and other land use resources. These goals and policies should be considered as the *Flood Management Plan's* sections on improvements, implementation and financing are developed to ensure consistency with the *LURMP*. Commission staff are available for consultation regarding the *LURMP*, and also request inclusion onto the project's relevant distribution lists.

Please contact Associate Environmental Planner Alex Westhoff at (916) 375-4237 or me at the number above if you have any questions. Thank you for this opportunity to provide input.

Sincerely,

Erik Vink, Executive Director

cc: Larry Ruhstaller, San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors and Commission Chair